CLAIMS

- 1. A method for the manufacture of a device that includes the following steps:
 - (a) Formation of a base body (1) with two external electrodes opposite each other,
 - (b) Adjustment of the resistance of the base body (1) measured between the external electrodes to a given target value by means of chemical etching of portions of the base body.
- 2. The method according to Claim 1, wherein a base body (1) is utilized, which contains a ceramic material.
- 3. The method according to Claims 1 or 2, wherein a base body (1) is utilized, whose ohmic resistance has a negative temperature coefficient.
- 4. The method according to Claims 1 through 3, wherein a base body (1) is utilized whose smallest dimension (d) is less than 3 mm.
- 5. The method according to Claims 1 through 4, wherein the etching is carried out by dipping the base body (1) into a liquid that etches the base body (1).
- 6. The method according to Claim 5, wherein sulfuric acid is used as etching liquid.
- 7. The method according to one of Claims 1 through 6, wherein the actual value of the resistance of the base body (1) is measured before step (b).
- 8. The method according to Claim 7,

wherein during the etching the resistance (R25) of the base body is measured.

- 9. The method according to Claims 1 through 8,
 - wherein before step (b) the difference between the target value and the actual value of the resistance (R25) is determined, whereas a duration (t) for the etch process is determined from said difference, and
 - wherein in step (b) the base body (1) is etched for the so determined etch duration (t).